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Konstantin Hierl of Neuenburg/Wuerttemberg, former head of the Reich Labor Service (Reichsarbeitsdienst) and author of (Im Dienst fuer Deutschland 1918-1945) does not believe that former Colonel Hans Ulrich Rudel should be actively supporting the Deutsche Reich Partei (DRP) in the pre-election campaign in Lower Saxony. Hierl believes that the nationalist movement as a whole will suffer if Rudel aligns himself with one particularly at this time. Hierl states that a man of Rudel's political stature should serve the entire nationalist movement; he should not support only the DRP which is one of the six nationalist groups currently campaigning in Lower Saxony. Hierl believes that Rudel is contributing to the splitting of the nationalist movement by openly backing one of the splinter groups. Instead of agitating for the DRP, Rudel should encourage the various splinter groups to join forces and then aid in directing the political maneuverings of the combined group. According to Hierl, Rudel does not have to be a party member to be politically effective.

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